

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Customer Number: 20277

Hiroyuki TAKAHASHI, et al.

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Group Art Unit: 1743

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Examiner: Dwayne K. Handy

For: REAGENT VESSEL CAP AND METHOD FOR COLLECTING REAGENT

SECOND STATUS INQUIRY

Mail Stop Status Inquiry Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The above-identified application was filed on November 26, 2003. Since more than three years have elapsed since that date, and no action has been received by attorney for applicant, Applicant respectfully requests that the undersigned attorney be informed of the status of the referenced application. It is noted that the Official Gazette indicates applications filed on or before April 2, 2005 should have received an action on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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